# Assessing GHG Emissions In California Ricelands



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#### Approved GHG Project

\$1.2 Million Pilot GHG Project in Rice

■ NRCS approved project (CRC & EDF) to examine methods of reducing/sequestering

GHG emissions on rice farms

- Looking at both in-field & riparian vegetation practices
- Principal effort is modeling
- Refining DNDC model to a Cal rice version
- Pilot projects
- **■** Economic evaluations



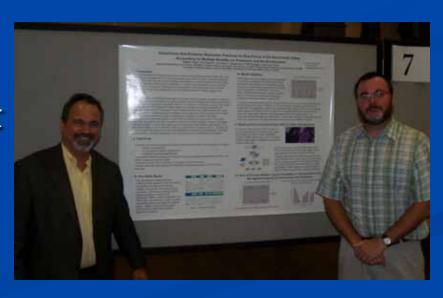
#### PRELIMINARY\* Results

- Straw Removal
  - 1.2 ton per acre
    - @ \$25/ton = \$30/acre



- 1 ton per acre
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- Nitrogen Management
  - No estimates yet
- Drill Seeding
  - No estimates yet





\* Note: No options yet evaluated for economic/agronomic feasibility.

Rewatering the Field (Plot #1, 30-day)



Comparison to Control Field



Field Monitoring





Drainage Impacts on Rice Plant Growth





- Yield Impacts??
  - Yet to be Determined







## Questions?

